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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2007, Applicant elects Group I, claims 1-4, for continued examination, with traverse. Applicant respectfully submits that all of the claims can be examined together without "serious" burden. *See* M.P.E.P. § 803. There are only twelve claims total. Therefore, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn. Favorable action on the application is solicited.

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